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- 1. DEPARTMENT NOW PREFERS OCTOBER 6-7 AS DATES FOR PLANNING TALKS, WHICH ACCORDING TO REFTEL ARE ACCEPTABLE TO BRAZILIAN DELEGATION.
- 2. WE AGREE WITH CAVALCANTI'S DESIRE TO AVOID AN OVERLY STRUCTURED FORMAT, SO AS TO FACILITATE AN AMBIANCE CONDUCIVE TO CANDID, FREE-FLOWING DISCUSSION. WE BELIEVE THE OCCASIONAL PARTICIPATION OF SELECTED US GOVERNMENT SPECIALISTS WOULD NOT INTERFERE WITH THIS APPROACH, SO LONG AS BOTH SIDES UNDERSTAND THAT OUR BRAZILIAN COLLEAGUES WOULD NOT BE EXPECTED TO RESPOND IN AS GREAT DETAIL IN ALL CASES. THIS PROCEDURE WOULD PERMIT THE BRAZILIANS TO FAMILIARIZE THEMSELVES WITH THE BROADEST POSSIBLE RANGE OF US GOVERNMENT CONFIDENTIAL

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3. THE SUGGESTED AGENDA WHICH FOLLOWS COVERS THE SAME THEMES AS OUTLINED BY CAVALCANTI (REFTEL) BUT IN A SLIGHTLY MORE EXPLICIT FASHION. WE PRESUME EACH SIDE WOULD PARTICIPATE ACTIVELY IN ALL SESSIONS, BUT ASSUME IT WOULD BE BEST

IF ONE SIDE LED OFF. OUR SUGGESTIONS ARE INDICATED IN PARENTHESES.

- (A) CONCEPTS IN US FOREIGN POLICY (US);
- (B) CONCEPTS IN BRAZILIAN FOREIGN POLICY (BRAZIL); (AS CAVALCANTI PROPOSED, BUT IN A SESSION DISTINCT FROM THAT WHERE US POLICY WILL BE PRESENTED AND DISCUSSED):
- (C) AFRICA (US) WHICH IS WORTHY OF SEPARATE CONSIDERATION BECAUSE OF CONSIDERABLE RECENT INTEREST BY BOTH THE US AND BRAZIL IN THAT CONTINENT;
- (D) NORTH-SOUTH ISSUES (BRAZIL) INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO ECONOMIC QUESTIONS; PROBABLY WHAT CAVALCANTI MEANT BY QUOTE MULTILATERAL UNQUOTE ISSUES;
- (E) ENERGY DEVELOPMENT, INCLUDING NUCLEAR (BRAZIL); PRE-SUMABLY ONE OF THE PROBLEMS IN THE QUOTE BILATERAL UNQUOTE RELATIONSHIP REFERRED TO BY CAVALCANTI, CAN PROPERLY BE DEALT WITH IN A SPECIALI, ED DISCUSSION;
- (F) HUMAN RIGHTS (US); A DISCUSSION THAT CONCENTRATES ON THIS THEME WOULD GIVE THE BRAZILIANS THE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET OFFICIALS FROM D/HA AND BE USEFUL TO CONFIDENTIAL

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THEM AS THEY PREPARE FOR THE SECRETARY'S VISIT;

- (G) WRAP-UP SESSION.
- 4. IF THE BRAZILIANS FEEL THAT THEIR PROPOSED AGENDA WAS MEANT TO COVER ANY ISSUES OMITTED IN THE ABOVE AGENDA, PLEASE ADVISE.
- 5. BRIEFING MATERIAL THAT PRESENTS THE BRAZILIAN POSITION ON VARIOUS AGENDA ITEMS WOULD BE APPRECIATED, WITH EMBASSY SUGGESTIONS ON HOW BEST TO PRESENT OUR POSITIONS TO THE BRAZILIANS, KEEPING IN MIND THE UPCOMING TRIP BY THE SECRETARY. MATERIAL SHOULD BE RECEIVED IN THE DEPARTMENT BY COB FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23. BIO INFO ON THE BRAZILIAN DELEGATES WOULD ALSO BE WELCOME. VANCE

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